NEWS OF THE COLLEGE
AND ITS ALUMNÆ

Appointments to the summer faculty for 1928 included Professor Raus M. Hanson, who comes to Harrisonburg to teach Geography in the Department of Social Sciences; Mrs. Ellen Wood Worth, who offered courses in Home Economics; Miss Virginia Turpin, who taught classes in Physical Education. Mr. Hanson comes from the University of Nebraska and will continue on the faculty during the coming session. Mrs. Worth has recently completed work at Teachers College, Columbia University, prior to which she was a teacher at Simmons College, Boston. Miss Turpin was a graduate of the class of 1928. Other members of the summer school faculty who have previously taught at Harrisonburg are Mrs. Florence Lohman, principal of an elementary school in Richmond, and Mr. B. L. Stanley, principal of the Harrisonburg High School, both of whom offered courses in Education.

Due to higher standards for Virginia teachers, the summer school student body was a more select group than in previous years. A spirit of earnestness and congeniality pervaded the campus. The atmosphere seemed charged with vigor and enthusiasm. Cornelia Carroll led the student body as president, Kathleen Watson served as vice-president, and Mildred Williamson as secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Elsie Judy, Sarah Hartman, Rebecca Brandon, Mary Pritchard, Virginia Drew, Charlotte De Hart, Bernadine Knee, Dorothy R. Cox, Flossie Rouzier, Mrs. Carey Taylor, and Nell Walters comprised the student council.

The Summer Breeze was published weekly for the first time. In previous summers it had appeared but once each fortnight.

The Y. W. C. A. functioned well. Inspiring meetings promoted the spirit of helpfulness which was evident on the campus. The picnic supper given in Bacon Hollow by the Y. W. was delightful.

The Choral Club under the direction of Miss Edna Shaeffer formed the choir for chapel. Trained by a member of the Massanetta Springs School of Music, the Choral Club also presented a cantata, “The Holy City,” by Gaul, at Massanetta Springs.

One of the big events of the summer was the meeting at Harrisonburg of the Board of Virginia Teachers Colleges. Mr. W. C. Locker, president of the Board, and Mr. Harris Hart, state superintendent of schools, spoke in chapel. They expressed satisfaction regarding the administration and congratulated the student body on their scholastic record.

The chapel programs were varied and well selected. Ten of the finest speakers and singers at the conference held at Massanetta Springs were available for chapel programs by special arrangement. Dr. J. A. McLean of Richmond, Dr. L. J. Sherrill, Professor of Religious Education of Louisville Theological Seminary, Dr. Clovis Chappell of Nashville, Tennessee, Dr. Alexander Allison of Bridgeport, Connecticut, and Dr. Frank Morgan all gave interesting and informing talks. Musical programs were furnished by Mr. and Mrs. McGhee of Chicago. Mr. McGhee led the singing at Massanetta Springs conferences. Mr. Kruger, bass member of the Westminster Sextet, also delighted the college.

Besides these programs from Massanetta Springs, other attractive speakers were obtained for chapel. Some of these were Dr. J. J. Rives, of the Methodist Church of Harrisonburg; Dr. John Price, a missionary to China, and Mr. J. A. Garber, of Harrisonburg.

The lyceum course presented the Westminster Sextet, whose versatility in singing was enjoyed. Miss Margaret McAdory
gave an illustrated lecture on the stained glass windows in French cathedrals. She gave another lecture on the French, Italian, and Spanish paintings in the Museum of the Louvre in Paris.

The entertainment committee arranged that a movie be shown each week, to be available to every student. Some of the best of these movies were The Bush Leaguer, The Dog of the Regiment, A Texas Steer, and The Love Mart.

Excursion parties visited Massanutten Caverns, Monticello, Monterey, Luray Caverns, and Natural Bridge were among the places visited.

Other recreation was afforded by swimming, track, tennis, and golf. Anne Proctor, Red Cross Life Saving Examiner, gave the Life Saving Tests to Lillian Penn, Mary Butts Marchant, Dorothy R. Cox, Margaret Burckmeyer, and Lillian Derry. They successfully passed the tests. The faculty took pride in the fact that one of its number, Mr. McLwraith, starred in golf, winning the golf championship at the Spotswood Country Club.

Some members of the winter faculty did not teach here. Mr. Conrad Logan taught at Columbia University, while Mrs. J. C. Johnston and Miss Bertha McCollum did graduate work there. Mrs. Varner and Miss Seeger spent the summer in Europe. Miss Boje traveled in the West, Miss Wilson and Miss Harnsberger to Canada.

Vesper services on Sunday afternoon, August 26, in Walter Reed Hall, opened Commencement week. Dr. White, who spent ten years doing missionary work in India, was the speaker. Tuesday evening the President’s reception to the graduates was given at Hillcrest. Wednesday the graduates enjoyed a merry banquet in the dining room.

On Friday, August 31, forty-nine students received diplomas. Seventeen of these were awarded the bachelor of science degree. Mr. Thomas D. Mason, Supervisor of Teacher Training, State Board of Education, Richmond, delivered the commencement address.

The first B. S. to be conferred on a man by the Harrisonburg college went to Ernest Bowman, who has completed his work here in summer sessions.

Two new buildings are to be completed by the opening of the fall quarter. Harrison Hall will provide a new dining hall to seat two hundred persons and enlarged space for the kitchen as well as additions to the heating unit. Johnston Hall, a new dormitory, located just north of Sheldon Hall, will give living accommodations to one hundred and twenty students. This dormitory is completely fireproof and is connected with Sheldon Hall by an arcade. The foundation for a new home economics practice house is now under way.

In the basement of Johnston will be a completely equipped physics laboratory. At the end of the summer session various improvements were made to the incompletely Walter Reed Hall. These include the permanent ceiling of the auditorium and gymnasium and final interior woodwork through the whole of the building. Concrete curbing is now being laid along all the driveways of the campus, and on the completion of this work all the roadways will be macadamized by the State Highway Commission.

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